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Naples, December 14.

ON the 11th of this Month, Count Gallas, the Emperour's Ambaſſadour to the Court of Rome, arrived here from thence, having been received at ſome Diſtance by the Marqueſs Stella, Captain of the Guards, at the Head of two Troops of Horſe, and four of Foot, and was complimented at his Entrance into the City by Count Anghillara, Chamberlain to the Viceroy: He alighted at the Palace, where an Apartment had been magnificently fitted up for his Reception. He declined the Viſits of Compliment offered by the Collateral Council, and by the other principal Perſons in the Government, but there have been long Conferences between him and the Viceroy on the preſent Difference with the Court of Rome. The Royal Officers have taken into Sequeſtration all the Revenues of vacant Benefices, and all that uſed to be received by the Apoſtolical Collector, even the Annual Contributions towards keeping in Repair the Cathedral of St. Peter at Rome. On the Arrival of a Courier from Vienna a Report is ſpread, that ſome German Regiments are to march down to thoſe Parts of the Coaſt of the Adriatick which belong to the Houſe of Auſtria, thence to be tranſported to this Kingdom, but no Order is yet given for fitting out Tranſports to fetch them.

Rome, Dec. 21. On the 15th Inſtant died Sig. Rigio, Biſhop of Catania, who had a long Time reſided here, having been baniſhed Sicily by the chief Tribunal of that Kingdom, for having been the forwardeſt of all the Clergy there to ſignalize his Zeal for the Intereſts of the Court of Rome. The Pope, to whom he bequeathed what he had here, gave Order that his Funeral ſhould be very magnificent; and he was interred in the Church of Santa Maria Maggiore, the Chapter of that Church, the Officers of the Palace, and above 80 Prelates aſſiſting at his Obſequies, which were performed with the ſame Ceremonies as are uſed at thoſe of Cardinals. On the 16th arrived an Expreſs from Naples, with Advice that the Annual Contributions of that Kingdom towards keeping up the Works of St. Peter's Church, which amount to above Sixteen Thouſand Crowns, are ſequeſtred; and that the Collateral Council have aſſumed all the Authority which the Nuncio had, as to the receiving the uſual Revenues in the Name of the Apoſtolical Chamber; that they had alſo declared, that the Penſions of the Cardinals who do not reſide in that Kingdom, ſhall be ſtopt; and that the Revenues of Benefices poſſeſſed by Foreigners, ſhould be put into Sequeſtration. Cardinal Orſini, Archbiſhop of Benevento, had been at Naples, to uſe his Endeavours for an Accommodation, but without Succeſs. We are expecting the Return of a Courier who was ſome Days ago diſpatched to Vienna by the Pope, with Letters for the Emperour and the Empreſs-Mother, touching this Difference.

Copenhagen, Jan. 4. On the 26th of laſt Month Rear-Admiral Kaas returned into Port, with three Men of War with which he had been cruiſing ſome Days in the Baltick, without having ſeen one Swediſh Ship. Theſe Men of War had loſt ſome Anchors and Maſts in the ſtormy Weather, and were otherwiſe damaged ſo that they could not keep the Sea any longer. Some Frigates keep out ſtill, but 'tis expected will ſoon come into Port. Our laſt Letters from Norway adviſed, that all was quiet there, but that Proviſions were become extreme dear. The Convoy of Meal and Corn which is to be ſent from hence to that Country, is not yet ready. Count Wedel, Field-Marſhal of his Daniſh Majeſty's Forces, and Governour of the County of Oldembourg, dyed laſt Week.

Venice, Dec. 31. On the 22d Inſtant the Obſequies of Sig. Lodovico Flangini, late Captain Extraordinary of the Fleet, were ſolemnized with great Pomp in the Church of the barefooted Carmelites, which was hung with Mourning, and with Scutcheons of the Arms of the Deceaſed. A large Mauſoleum was raiſed in the Midſt of the Church, adorned with Statues and Military Trophies; and on the Coffin were laid the Helmet and Sword. Maſs was performed by ſeveral Choirs of the beſt Muſicians and Voices of this City, in the Preſence of a great Number of Nobles and Officers. The Patriarch officiated,

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